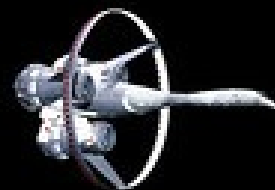


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SCIENCE FICTION & FANTASY CONVENTION



• The Basics

Date: 26th October 2019

Location: Hilton DoubleTree Hotel, Bristol

Guests of Honour: Authors Diane Duane and Gareth L. Powell. Artist Andy Bigwood.

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Program 2009

Friday Sept 25th, 2009

At: [Mickey Lavins](#), Denmark Street, Bristol.

Kumara Events

7:00pm for 7:30pm *Serenity* followed by *Dr Horrible's sing-along blog*. This is an official [Can't Stop the Serenity](#) event.

Saturday Sept 26th, 2009

At: [Mercure Holland House Hotel & Spa](#)

BristolCon Program

Here is a provisional program schedule.

2.45-3.10pm TV adaptations

Are they ever any good? What makes a good TV adaptation, and a lousy one? What would our panel like to see adapted? What do they think should have been left well alone?

Nick Walters, Huw Powell, Jim Mortimore, John Hawkes-Reed

3.20-3.50pm GOH Talk - Catherine Butler: “Diana Wynne Jones and Pilgrimage”

4.00-4.25pm UK vs US SF (Or the abbreviations panel...)

Which is better, British or American speculative fiction? Does a national divide even exist, and how do you define it? And why does the rest of the world never get a look in?

Cheryl Morgan, Roz Clarke, Kim Lakin Smith, Gareth Powell

4.35-5.05pm GOH Talk - Alastair Reynolds

5.15-5.40pm Fantasy and SF - where is the dividing line?

There are many works of speculative fiction that blur the (already pretty blurry) lines between Fantasy, SF and Horror. Our panel will be discussion these divisions, trying to discover if you will ever get your ultimate crossover novel published, taking a dig at authors who deny their spec-ficcyness (probably) and trying to nail down those tricky definitions.

Eugene Byrne, Colin Harvey, Lee Harris (Angry Robot), Juliet McKenna, Paul Cornell

8:30pm Pub Quiz: hosted by Nick Walters

£1 per person to enter; you can play in teams on on your own. Winning team or individual gets half the pot, the rest goes to [Equality Now](#).

All panelists appear subject to work commitments and alien abduction.

In addition our guests will be available to sign books, chat and the like at various times during the afternoon.

Kumara Events

5:45pm – 7:30pm Dance set up, food, bar.

7:30pm Charity auction in aid of [Equality Now](#)

7:30pm British Browncoat Ceilidh with live band *Carnaby Street* ('60s covers)

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